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Honorable Charles B. Rangel
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Rangel:

With reference to your letter of 23 May 1972, this is to advise you that we will be in touch with your office in the near future to arrange a time for the briefing on the international narcotics traffic in which you have expressed an interest. Also, as noted in my letter to you of 18 May, we will be glad to provide you, as soon as it is available, an unclassified worldwide study on the narcotics problem which is now in preparation.

I can assure you that the briefing we are prepared to provide, and the study now in preparation, will cover all of the significant points contained in the nine individual intelligence reports which you have requested while avoiding the problems involved in the dissemination of classified intelligence reports outside the intelligence community. Moreover, in providing you with an oral briefing together with an unclassified global study on the subject I believe we are giving you a considerably more complete and useful picture of the overall situation than could be derived from any individual reports.

The reports you request are classified under Executive Order and the Freedom of Information Act specifically exempts from the application of the Act any material so classified (5 U.S.C. 552 (b)).

Sincerely,

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